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To Whom It May Concern:

Get government out of the antitrust field entirely. Antitrust litigation has become nothing more than an arena for unsuccessful competitors to cry and whine about the success of market leaders.

Microsoft, like Standard Oil, and any number of other high profile antitrust cases is accused of controlling market share while prices to the consumer persistently decline.

Who cares if a company controls 100% of market share if prices decline? In fact, many economists would argue that you can only continue to gain market share if prices are declining.

Microsoft litigation was foolish in the first place and guided by politicians from states that were homes to Microsofts competitors. Not only should the whole mess be dropped but an apology should be issued to Microsoft and the public.

This would be an opportune time for government to vocally and prominently admit the failure of the antitrust paradigm. Please read Armentano's great book, "The Myths of Antitrust."

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